

Message

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 2/8/2022 12:40:27 PM
To: Bortolin, Rino [rbortolin@citywindsor.ca]
CC: Gignac, Jo-Anne (Councillor) [joagignac@citywindsor.ca]; Costante, Fabio [fcostante@citywindsor.ca]; Kaschak, Gary [gkaschak@citywindsor.ca]; McKenzie, Kieran [kmckenzie@citywindsor.ca]; Holt, Chris [cholt@citywindsor.ca]
Subject: Re: stop the blockade

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Not to belabor this but City of Windsor Traffic By-law 9148, Part IV, s. 7 (1)(a) states: "No operator of a vehicle shall permit such vehicle to remain upon or be driven upon or along any street so as to block or obstruct traffic".

On 2/8/22, Bortolin, Rino <rbortolin@citywindsor.ca> wrote:

> Hi [REDACTED]
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> Thanks for your email. Wanted to simply address two main points. As you
> probably are aware but wanted to remind you, as City Council and even the
> Police Services board, we cannot direct the WPS in their operations. We
> cannot direct the chief or anyone else to do any specific action. I also
> want to address the claim that WPS are doing nothing. Not sure where you are
> getting that information but I can assure you that WPS has been active on
> this issue for well over a week and continue to work diligently to ensure
> there is a simple and peaceful solution to the situation. This event shows
> how hard it is to have a municipal force, funded by city taxpayers, address
> events or occurrences at a major border crossing.

> thanks for the email,
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> Rino Bortolin
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> Councillor Ward 3
> City of Windsor
> [REDACTED]
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> From: [REDACTED]
> Sent: February 8, 2022 10:26:05 AM
> To: Gignac, Jo-Anne (Councillor); Costante, Fabio; Kaschak, Gary; McKenzie,
> Kieran; Holt, Chris; Bortolin, Rino
> Subject: stop the blockade

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> Dear Councillors:
> It would appear from reports on CTV and CBC news that the Windsor
> Police are doing the same thing with regards to the protesters
> blockade on Huron Church Road that the Ottawa Police did
> there....nothing! The Ottawa Police basically surrendered control to
> the mob....the mob dictated what was happening....there was no
> enforcement of the law. Now that the Ottawa Police have decided to
> act, they're asking for 1,800 additional police to help them do the
> job they should have done on day 1 of the protest. The same will
> happen here unless you and the police act immediately.
> First, the police should demand to see the driver's licence,
> registration and insurance of every driver that is part of the
> protest. After checking these in their computers for violations, they
> should store this information AND send it to the City Solicitor's
> Office.
> Second, the City Solicitor should prepare a Statement of Claim against
> every one of the protesters suing for \$100,000 damages for the tort of

> nuisance, claiming damages for the cost of police services,
> interruption of commerce, and anything else they can think up. This
> shouldn't take long because there are templates they should have
> access too and if they have to work overtime, do it. Get these filed
> in court immediately, then have the police serve them personally on
> every protester. If the protesters want to defend, they'll have to go
> to a lawyer and put their names on a court document and become known.
> Unfortunately they have several days to do this but it will notify
> them that the city means business.
> Third, also serve each protester with a written notice to move their
> vehicles within 15 minutes. Failure to do so will result in the
> vehicle being ticketed for various Highway Traffic Act or Municipal
> bylaw infractions such as careless driving, illegal parking, unlawful
> idling, etc. AND that the vehicle will be towed at the owners expense.
> Fourth, actually tow any vehicles that do not voluntarily remove
> themselves (so you better alert the towing companies to be prepared)!
> The longer you wait, the more entrenched the protesters become and the
> more difficult it will be to remove them. And their next step will be
> to blockade the tunnel and paralyze the downtown!
> Sincerely,
> [REDACTED]
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